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Mr. Skip Vallee R.L. Vallee, Inc. 282 South Main St. St. Albans, VT 05478

RE: R.B. Erskines in Chester Depot (Site #91-1026)

Dear Mr. Vallee:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the letter dated December 2, 1994 by Twin State Environmental Corporation (TSEC) which included the Certificate of Destruction from the MTS asphalt batching facility certifying that 128.80 tons of petroleum contaminated soil was incorporated into a cold asphalt batch mix. As explained in TSEC's letter, this soil originated from the above referenced site. The SMS has therefore determined that R.L. Vallee, Inc. has satisfied the requirements placed on them in the initial May 6, 1991 letter. These requirements included that a thorough site assessment be performed to determine the degree and extent of contamination present at the site resulting from the two underground storage tanks (USTs) which were removed from the site.

This determination was based on the following information:

- 1. The likely source of petroleum contamination was the two USTs which have been removed from the site.
- 2. Groundwater at the site contains non-detect levels of petroleum contaminants, as indicated by analytical results of the onsite groundwater monitoring wells.
- 3. The approximately 85 cubic yards of stockpiled contaminated soil has been transported to the MTS asphalt batching facility in Epsom, New Hampshire.
- 4. Little to no risk is posed to surrounding drinking water supplies or other sensitive receptors by any residual petroleum contamination which may remain in the subsurface at the site.

Based on the results of the investigation, the site has been assigned a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. Sites which the Hazardous Materials Management Division have

determined require no further management are given a SMAC designation. This designation doesn't release R.L. Vallee from any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination which originated from the USTs previously located at the R.B. Erskines facility in Chester Depot. This SMAC designation does mean that the SMS isn't requiring any additional work be performed at this site in response to the initial contamination.

Please feel free to contact either me or Richard Spiese with any further questions or comments you may have.

Sincerely,

Chuck Schwer, Acting Chief Sites Management Section

c: Chester Selectboard DEC Regional Office Maria Dunn, TSEC

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